

RESOLVED FAMILY

Week of January 20, 2019

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ICEBREAKER

Aside from LCC, what was the best church you were ever a part of? What made it so special?

When you hear the word “family” what comes to mind?

Our resolution for this week is this:

RESOLVED: God’s family is my family.

GOD’S GLOBAL FAMILY IS MY FAMILY.

Every Christian everywhere is part of your extended family. How often do you think about that?

What difference does it or should it make that Christians are a global family?

Read John 17:20-21. We live in a world with a large variety of different opinions and interpretations about what it means to be a Christian. In light of that, what do you think Christian unity should look like? Are there limits to our unity, and what should we be doing about it?

THIS LOCAL FAMILY IS MY FAMILY.

Read Ephesians 4:1-16. Based on this, how important is it to be part of a specific local family of believers?

What would you say to a person who is a believer but not part of any church?

What do you think about people leaving one church for another? When is it the right thing to do and when is it not?

THIS GROUP IS MY FAMILY.

Read Hebrews 10:24-25. How big is the group described by this passage? For you, how many people are in the circle of those who can “spur” you?

FAMILY IS POWER.

Read Ephesians 3:16-19. Clearly, Paul is writing about an experience of the presence of God that only exists in the context of loving, Christian fellowship. What is that passage saying to you today?

What does it mean for you to say, “God’s family is my family”?

*The Spirit dwells in me but his power is revealed in community. I intentionally prioritize Christian relationships because I have something to give and something to receive.
(Matt 22:39-40 :: Acts 2:1-4 :: Gal 6:10 :: 1 Th 5:19 :: Eph 4)*

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